

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Paul Jacobs et al.

Serial No. :

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Examiner:

For : APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR CONCENTRATING A LIQUID
STERILANT AND STERILIZING ARTICLES THEREWITH

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

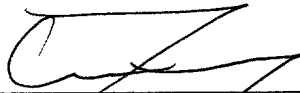
Prior to examination, please amend the above identified
application as follows:

In The Specification:

Prior to the first line on page 1, please insert:

--This is a Continuation of prior U.S. application No.
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Respectfully submitted,


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